(b) CBI commenced this work in April, 1990.

(c) Definite time limit for completing the work cannot be indicated at this stage.

Guidelines for promotion of communal harmony

*297. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:

SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) wheher revised guidelines have been finalised for promotion of communal harmony including the raising of the amount of ex-gratia payments in case of death or permanent incapacitation and also payment of pension to widows of riot-victims in Low Income Groups;

(b) if so, the details thereof and since when the guidelines are in force;

(c) in what manner the Low Income Groups would be identified; and

(d whether such facilities would be at par with that for those who have been victims of terrorist violence in Jammu and Kashmir, Punjab, Assam etc., and also the victims of caste-violence?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) and (b) Guidelines on promotion of communal harmony have been issued to States/Union Territories on 23-4-90. These include inter-alia suggestions for the payment of ex-gratia relief at the enhanced rate of Rs. 50,000 in the case of death/permanent incapacitation, and a monthly pension of Rs. 500 to the widows of victims of riots beloging to low income group.

(c) Since payment of ex-gratia are made from the revenues of the State Governments, they will be defining such groups.

(d) Complete parity in such matters is not feasible as each State Government formulates its own relief package . In serious cases, some assistance from the Centre is also provided.

Illegal entrants from Pakistan and Bangladesh

*298. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:
SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the illegal entrants who crossed over to India from Pakistan or from Bangladesh and are living in India, are provided with the facilities for admission in educational institutions in the country; or whether such admissions are restricted to Indian citizens only; and

(b) whether the concerned authorities get verified the claims of citizenship made by them in their application forms for admission if so, in what manner?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) and (b) In the context of infiltration of Bangladesh nationals into India, the Government of West Bengal have issued instructions to school authorities to take effective steps and special care for prevention of fradulent admission of such students. No such problem has come to notice in repect of Pakistani nationals.

Tariff for Telecom Services

*299. SHRI PASUMPON THA KIRUTTINAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to impose separate Tariffs for Telecommunications Serivces provided for

commercial and non-commercial subscribers; and

(b) if so, whether the subscribers in general and the actual users of the Telecommunications services are proposed to be consulted before any decision is taken on this matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) Presently there is no proposal for any revision of tariffs. The feasibility of introducing separate tariff for residential and non-residential subscribers will be considered when a revision becomes necessary.

(b) Before introducing any changes in tariff its impact on the subscriber will be considered.

Lapse of the Authorities in SYLC Engineers Murdere

*300. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the two top engineers who were short dead by the terrorists on 23rd July, 1990 at the office of the Sutlej Yamuna Link Canal, Chandigarh, had informed the concerned authorities well in advance about the threat to their lives and had asked for providing security to them;

(c) whether Governement have fixed responsibility for the lapse on the concerned authorities; and

(d) if so, what action Government have taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) According to reports from Punjab/UT Administration Chandigarh, the authorities had received intimation of likely threat to one of the two Engineers on 12th/16th July, 1990, namely, Shri M. L. Sekhri. Within the resources available, the UT Administration had deployed patrol party near Shri Sekhri's residence. Before the Government of Punjab could act on the information and secure adequate arrangements at the Project office at Chandigarh, the unfortunate incident took place. Even though there is a steep increase in demand for providing security to various persons whose personal security is threatened, the Government of Punjab & UT Administration of Chandigarh have strengthened the necessary arrangements after analysing current thereat perceptions and taken such steps as are feasible in the circumstances. The corrective action has been taken with regard to delays noticed in providing timely security at the office of the S.Y. Canal Project at Chandigarh.

Resurfacing of damaged roads

@2409. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the prevaling method of resurfacing damaged roads in metropolitan areas like Delhi was to dig up the damaged surface before laying down a new coat of bitumen and aggregate;

(b) whether in the recent past, our road engineers have discarded this practice and are applying new layers of bitumen and stone aggregate, thus continuously raising the level of roads in residential and commercial areas with the result that in many areas in Delhi, the road levels are now higher than the property levels resulting in inconvenience to the people living there;

(c) whether it also entails additional expenditure on rebuilding footpaths and storm water drains; and

(d) if answer to (a), (b) and (c) is in the affirmative whether Givernment propose to ensure that the roads/

@Previously unstarred Quesetion 1142 transferred from the 17th August, 1990.